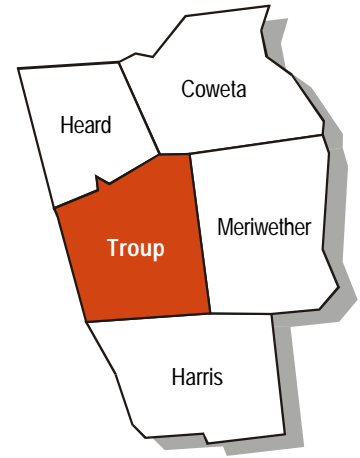




TROUP COUNTY



AREA LABOR PROFILE

Labor Force Activity

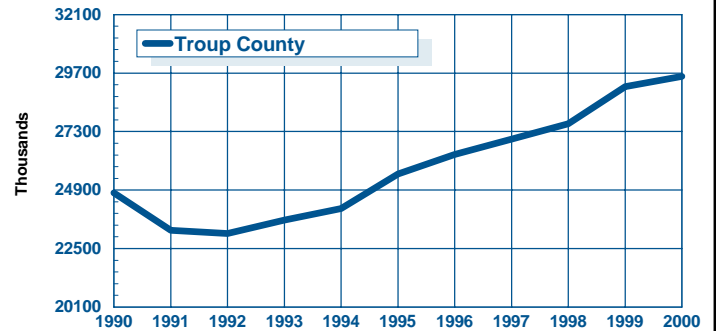
2000 ANNUAL AVERAGES

| | Labor Force | Employed | Unemployed | Rate |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|------------|
| Troup | 30,829 | 29,567 | 1,262 | 4.1 |
| Coweta | 47,360 | 45,750 | 1,610 | 3.4 |
| Harris | 12,168 | 11,812 | 356 | 2.9 |
| Heard | 4,737 | 4,475 | 262 | 5.5 |
| Meriwether | 9,371 | 8,805 | 566 | 6.0 |
| Troup Area | 104,465 | 100,409 | 4,056 | 3.9 |
| Chambers Co., AL* | 15,940 | 15,190 | 750 | 4.7 |
| Randolph Co., AL* | 9,460 | 8,950 | 510 | 5.4 |
| Georgia | 4,173,274 | 4,018,876 | 154,398 | 3.7 |
| U.S. | 140,863,000 | 135,208,000 | 5,655,000 | 4.0 |

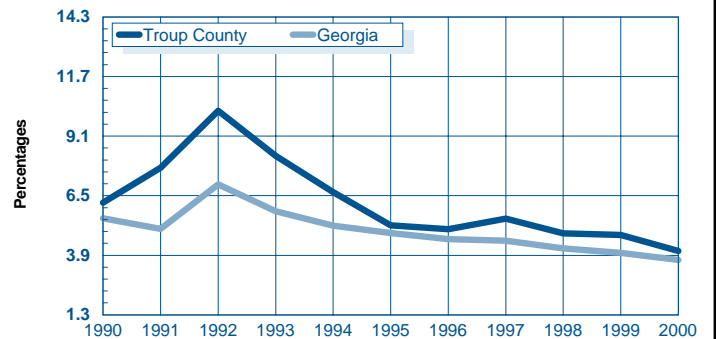
Note: Labor force includes residents of the county who are working or seeking work.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Employment Trends

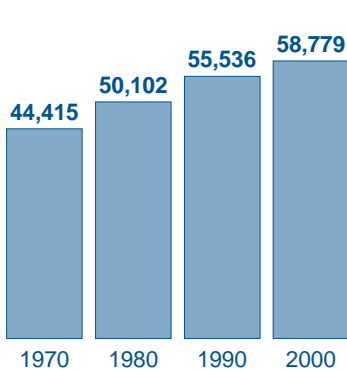


Unemployment Trends



Population Estimates

Troup County



Population

| | 1990 Census (Revised) | 2000 Census | 2000 Rank | % Change 1990-2000 | 2005 Projected* | % Change 2000-2005 |
|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Troup County | 55,536 | 58,779 | 33 | 5.8 | 60,249 | 2.5 |
| City of LaGrange | 25,597 | 25,998 | | 1.6 | | |
| City of West Point | 3,571 | 3,382 | | -5.3 | | |
| Troup Area | 158,216 | 205,235 | | 29.7 | 230,679 | 12.4 |
| Chambers Co., AL | 36,876 | 36,583 | | -0.8 | 36,317 | -0.7 |
| Randolph Co., AL | 19,881 | 22,380 | | 12.6 | 23,435 | 4.7 |
| Georgia | 6,478,216 | 8,186,453 | | 26.4 | 8,988,403 | 9.8 |
| U.S. | 248,709,873 | 281,421,906 | | 13.2 | 297,791,856 | 5.8 |

Note: "Rank" indicates relative population among Georgia's 159 counties.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

*Projected by the Georgia Department of Labor, Workforce Information & Analysis Division.

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Industry Mix, 1999

| INDUSTRY | TROUP COUNTY | | | | TROUP AREA | | | |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| | NUMBER OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT NUMBER PERCENT | WKLY WAGE | NUMBER OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT NUMBER PERCENT | WKLY WAGE | | |
| Agriculture, forestry, and fishing | 24 | 104 0.3 | \$328 | 117 | 747 1.0 | \$390 | | |
| Mining | * | * * | * | 4 | 55 0.1 | 840 | | |
| Construction | 153 | 1,926 5.8 | 563 | 507 | 3,952 5.4 | 536 | | |
| Manufacturing | 129 | 11,137 33.3 | 707 | 288 | 21,367 29.4 | 644 | | |
| Food and kindred products | * | * * | * | * | * * | * | | |
| Textiles | 26 | 5,137 15.4 | 762 | 31 | 5,780 7.9 | 734 | | |
| Apparel | * | * * | * | 17 | 1,377 1.9 | 431 | | |
| Lumber and wood products | 17 | 372 1.1 | 481 | 58 | 1,340 1.8 | 570 | | |
| Furniture and fixtures | * | * * | * | * | * * | * | | |
| Paper and allied products | 4 | 337 1.0 | 751 | 5 | 533 0.7 | 852 | | |
| Printing and publishing | 12 | 731 2.2 | 679 | 29 | 894 1.2 | 641 | | |
| Chemicals and allied products | 3 | 139 0.4 | 572 | 3 | 139 0.2 | 572 | | |
| Petroleum refining | * | * * | * | * | * * | * | | |
| Rubber and misc. plastic products | 8 | 788 2.4 | 631 | 19 | 2,478 3.4 | 523 | | |
| Leather and leather products | 0 | 0 0.0 | 0 | * | * * | * | | |
| Stone, clay, glass and concrete | 3 | 42 0.1 | 623 | 16 | 496 0.7 | 629 | | |
| Primary metal products | 4 | 100 0.3 | 715 | 11 | 1,586 2.2 | 687 | | |
| Fabricated metal products | 9 | 583 1.7 | 595 | 22 | 1,280 1.8 | 620 | | |
| Industrial machinery, including computer | 21 | 1,040 3.1 | 707 | 40 | 1,267 1.7 | 702 | | |
| Electronic, other electrical equipment | * | * * | * | 3 | 831 1.1 | 690 | | |
| Transportation equipment | 8 | 619 1.9 | 703 | 11 | 1,526 2.1 | 729 | | |
| Instruments and related products | * | * * | * | * | * * | * | | |
| Miscellaneous mfg. industries | 5 | 22 0.1 | 499 | 9 | 34 0.0 | 441 | | |
| Transportation and public utilities | 58 | 2,116 6.3 | 767 | 185 | 3,680 5.1 | 788 | | |
| Wholesale trade | 93 | 731 2.2 | 624 | 249 | 1,740 2.4 | 609 | | |
| Retail trade | 373 | 6,278 18.8 | 263 | 943 | 15,007 20.6 | 292 | | |
| Finance, insurance, and real estate | 115 | 825 2.5 | 685 | 296 | 1,831 2.5 | 631 | | |
| Services | 524 | 8,883 26.6 | 452 | 1,267 | 20,821 28.6 | 444 | | |
| Hotels, other lodging places | 16 | 202 0.6 | 203 | 35 | 830 1.1 | 282 | | |
| Personal services | 38 | 200 0.6 | 325 | 94 | 404 0.6 | 295 | | |
| Business services | 85 | 2,103 6.3 | 272 | 197 | 3,634 5.0 | 289 | | |
| Auto repair, services, garages | 39 | 204 0.6 | 427 | 95 | 393 0.5 | 447 | | |
| Miscellaneous repair services | 16 | 59 0.2 | 492 | 31 | 83 0.1 | 460 | | |
| Motion pictures | 8 | 72 0.2 | 259 | 18 | 166 0.2 | 208 | | |
| Amusement and recreation services | 13 | 153 0.5 | 214 | 35 | 463 0.6 | 245 | | |
| Health services | 92 | 2,503 7.5 | 607 | 213 | 5,659 7.8 | 583 | | |
| Legal services | 28 | 88 0.3 | 635 | 57 | 229 0.3 | 780 | | |
| Educational services | 34 | 2,265 6.8 | 506 | 111 | 6,794 9.3 | 463 | | |
| Social services | 36 | 567 1.7 | 297 | 94 | 1,054 1.4 | 289 | | |
| Museums, botanical, zoological gardens | * | * * | * | * | * * | * | | |
| Membership organizations | 7 | 24 0.1 | 277 | 25 | 66 0.1 | 302 | | |
| Engineering and management services | 27 | 285 0.9 | 832 | 97 | 443 0.6 | 788 | | |
| Private households | 84 | 136 0.4 | 223 | 163 | 251 0.3 | 232 | | |
| Public Administration | 34 | 1,394 4.2 | 531 | 110 | 3,556 4.9 | 508 | | |
| ALL INDUSTRIES | 1,504 | 33,420 100.0 | \$540 | 3,967 | 72,757 100.0 | \$505 | | |
| ALL INDUSTRIES - GEORGIA | | | | | | \$622 | | |

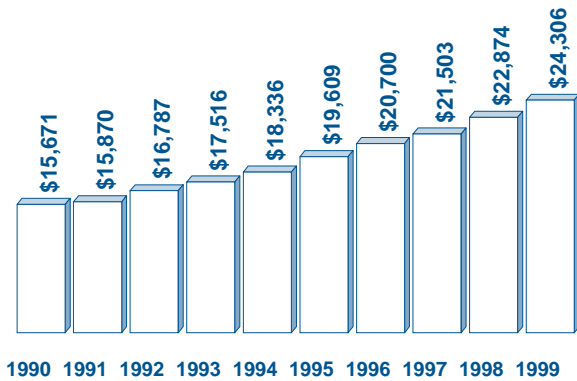
Notes: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers which cannot be released.

Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average number of employees who had any earnings; average earnings are then divided by the number of weeks in the period to obtain weekly figures. Figures in other columns may not sum to totals due to rounding, as all figures represent annual averages. Health services includes government hospitals. Educational services includes government educational institutions.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor. Data represent jobs located in the above areas that are covered by unemployment insurance laws.

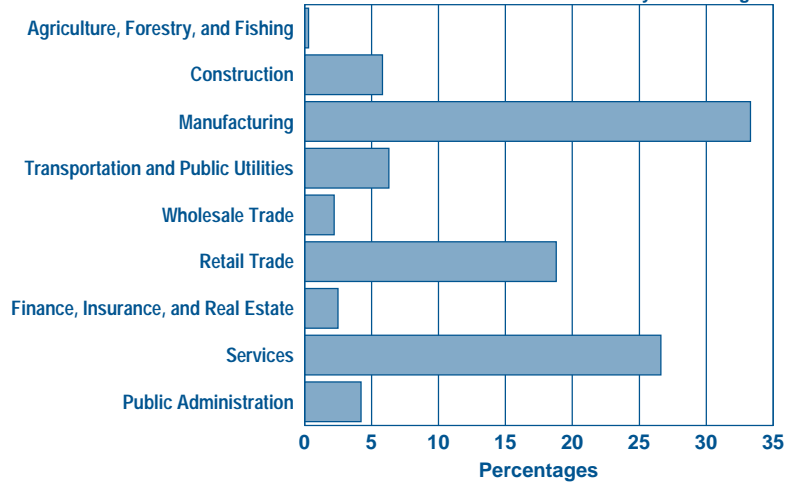
Per Capita Income

Troup County



Troup County Industry Mix 1999

Source: See Industry Mix on Page 2



Employers

TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS

TROUP AREA

K Mart Corporation
Cagle's Inc
Callaway Gardens Resort
Goody Products Inc
Intercel Inc
Interface Flooring Systems Inc
Milliken & Company
Spectrum Stores Inc
West Georgia Medical Center
West Point Stevens Inc

COUNTY

Coweta
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FIVE LARGEST EMPLOYERS

TROUP COUNTY

Interface Flooring Systems Inc
Milliken & Company
Spectrum Stores Inc
West Georgia Medical Center
West Point Stevens Inc

Note: Represents employment covered by unemployment insurance, excluding all government and public schools (except correctional institutions, state hospitals, and colleges and universities), railroads and the U.S. Postal Service. Data shown for Third Quarter 1999. Employers are listed alphabetically by county, not by employment size.

Commuting Patterns

EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF TROUP COUNTY

| COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED | NUMBER | PERCENT OF TOTAL |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Troup | 21,428 | 86.6 |
| Alabama | 952 | 3.8 |
| Coweta | 642 | 2.6 |
| Fulton | 396 | 1.6 |
| Meriwether | 272 | 1.1 |
| Other | 1,066 | 4.3 |
| Total Residents | 24,756 | 100.0 |

PERSONS WORKING IN TROUP COUNTY

| COUNTY OF RESIDENCE | NUMBER | PERCENT OF TOTAL |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Troup | 21,428 | 75.2 |
| Alabama | 3,489 | 12.2 |
| Meriwether | 1,044 | 3.7 |
| Harris | 785 | 2.8 |
| Heard | 523 | 1.8 |
| Other | 1,224 | 4.3 |
| Total Residents | 28,493 | 100.0 |

Education of the Labor Force

Troup Area

| | PERCENT OF TOTAL | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-69 |
| Not high school graduate | 26.4 | 22.2 | 21.0 | 21.2 | 20.7 | 33.0 |
| High school graduate | 39.3 | 47.7 | 45.0 | 42.8 | 39.0 | 33.9 |
| Some college/Associate degree | 19.8 | 21.0 | 20.0 | 20.9 | 21.7 | 18.3 |
| Bachelor's degree | 9.7 | 8.2 | 12.0 | 10.0 | 11.8 | 8.7 |
| Graduate degree | 4.9 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 5.1 | 6.7 | 6.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

Note: Totals based on the portion of the labor force between ages 20-69.

Source: 1990 Census



High School Graduates, 1998-99

| | PUBLIC SCHOOLS | PRIVATE SCHOOLS | TOTAL |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Troup | 508 | 16 | 524 |
| Coweta | 556 | 21 | 577 |
| Harris | 223 | 0 | 223 |
| Heard | 88 | 0 | 88 |
| Meriwether | 223 | 25 | 248 |
| Troup Area | 1,598 | 62 | 1,660 |

Note: Data on private high school graduates represent more than 90% of private school graduates in Georgia.

Source: Georgia Department of Education; Georgia Independent School Association



Colleges with Technical and Business Programs

Troup County

LaGrange College Computer Science, Business Administration, Accounting, Business Economics, International Business

Carroll County

State University of West GA Computer Science, Information Systems, Business Administration, Business Economics, Office Administration, Accounting, Finance, Marketing, Real Estate, International Economic Affairs

Sources: Georgia Career Information System; Georgia Occupational Information Coordinating Committee, State Training Inventory

Technical Institute Graduates, 1998-99

Troup Area

| PROGRAM | GRADUATES | PROGRAM | GRADUATES |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES | | Industrial Maintenance | 3 |
| Accounting | 22 | Machine Tool Technology | 3 |
| Business and Office Technology | 10 | Welding and Joining Technology | 1 |
| Computer Information Systems | 4 | PERSONAL/PUBLIC SERVICE TECHNOLOGIES | |
| Information and Office Technology | 4 | Basic Culinary Arts | 3 |
| Management/Supervisory Development | 6 | Child Development | 5 |
| Marketing Management | 1 | Cosmetology | 23 |
| HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES | | TECHNICAL CERTIFICATES | |
| Medical Assisting | 3 | Auto Front End Alignment/Brakes Spec/Strut System | 2 |
| Paramedic Technology | 16 | AutoCAD Operator | 1 |
| Practical Nursing | 10 | Basic Computer Skills | 51 |
| Radiologic Technology | 9 | Basic Welding Specialist | 12 |
| INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES | | Cabinetmaking Fundamental | 1 |
| Advanced Drafting | 4 | Certified Customer Service Specialist | 7 |
| Advanced Machine Tool Technology | 2 | Child Development Associate I | 2 |
| Applied Manufacturing Technology | 1 | Emergency Medical Technology | 16 |
| Automotive Fundamentals | 1 | Industrial/Commercial Wiring | 5 |
| Automotive Technology | 3 | Medical Transcription | 16 |
| Drafting | 4 | Nail Technician | 2 |
| Electronics Technology | 3 | Office Accounting | 4 |
| | | Phlebotomy Technician | 5 |

Definitions: All graduates except those listed as technical certificates are diploma and degree graduates. Diploma and degree programs are one to two years in length. Technical certificates are less than a year in length.

Note: Data shown are figures for West Georgia Tech College (Troup Co.).

Source: Office of Technical Education, Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education Program Enrollment Exits/Placement Analysis FY 98-99.

Occupational Profile

| | Troup County | | Troup Area | |
|--|--------------|---------|------------|---------|
| | NUMBER | PERCENT | NUMBER | PERCENT |
| Employed persons, 16 years and over | 25,071 | 100.0 | 71,458 | 100.00 |
| Executive, administrative, and managerial | 2,435 | 9.7 | 6,589 | 9.22 |
| Professional specialty occupations | 2,567 | 10.2 | 6,798 | 9.51 |
| Technical & related support | 760 | 3.0 | 2,219 | 3.11 |
| Sales | 2,352 | 9.4 | 6,495 | 9.09 |
| Administrative support, including clerical | 3,366 | 13.4 | 10,081 | 14.11 |
| Service | 3,242 | 12.9 | 8,701 | 12.18 |
| Farming, forestry, & fishing | 453 | 1.8 | 1,657 | 2.32 |
| Precision production, craft & repair | 3,623 | 14.5 | 11,078 | 15.50 |
| Machine operators, assemblers and inspectors | 3,884 | 15.5 | 10,058 | 14.08 |
| Transportation and material moving | 973 | 3.9 | 3,826 | 5.35 |
| Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers and laborers | 1,416 | 5.6 | 3,956 | 5.54 |

Source: 1990 Census

Sample of Occupational Wages, 1998

Troup Area

| | AVERAGE | MIDDLE RANGE | |
|---|---------|--------------|-----------|
| | | LOW | HIGH |
| Civil engineers, including traffic | \$20.01 | \$19.22 | - \$20.99 |
| Bookkeeping, accounting and auditing clerks | 10.09 | 8.27 | - 11.86 |
| Traffic, shipping, and receiving clerks | 9.69 | 8.23 | - 10.62 |
| Janitors and cleaners | 7.64 | 7.27 | - 7.88 |
| Electricians | 13.94 | 11.82 | - 16.45 |
| Industrial truck and tractor operators | 11.50 | 9.64 | - 13.37 |
| Hand packers and packagers | 7.13 | 5.62 | - 7.69 |

Note: The middle range is the range of wages earned by the middle 50% of workers surveyed.

Active Applicants — Georgia Department of Labor

| | TOTAL | PROF., TECH. & MANAGERIAL | CLERICAL & SALES | SERVICE | AGR., FORESTRY & FISHING | PROCESS- ING | MACHINE TRADES | BENCH- WORK | STRUC- TURAL WORK | MISC. |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Troup | 2,283 | 203 | 467 | 297 | 28 | 117 | 254 | 142 | 200 | 575 |
| Coweta | 1,788 | 223 | 423 | 242 | 13 | 49 | 140 | 148 | 160 | 390 |
| Harris | 380 | 51 | 83 | 59 | 3 | 11 | 36 | 22 | 41 | 74 |
| Heard | 244 | 18 | 45 | 22 | 2 | 7 | 22 | 22 | 45 | 61 |
| Meriwether | 710 | 33 | 99 | 105 | 6 | 55 | 74 | 57 | 52 | 229 |
| Total Area | 5,405 | 528 | 1,117 | 725 | 52 | 239 | 526 | 391 | 498 | 1,329 |

Note: For detailed data on currently available applicants in specific occupations, contact the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office. For information on multiple areas, contact the Department's Economic Development & Employer Relations office at 404-656-2328.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor (active applicants as of June 2000)

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